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| In Re The Application of:  Marco Di Benedetto et al.         | )                                 |             |
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| Serial No.: 09/644,377                                       | ) ) Examiner:                     | Hanh Nguyen |
| Filed: August 23, 2000                                       | ) Art Unit:                       | 2662        |
| For: RESTARTABLE SPANNING TREE FOR HIGH AVAILABILITY NETWORK | )                                 |             |
| SYSTEMS  | )                                 |             |
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## **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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A check for \$110.00, comprising the fee of \$110.00 specified by

37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) for other than a small entity, is enclosed herewith.

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